

HOUSE BILL 1980
By Curtiss

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 27, Part 2, relative to group insurance for state officials and employees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 27, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

Section 8-27-211. No insurer licensed under § 56-29-108 or any of its affiliates or subsidiaries, including health maintenance organizations, shall be eligible to participate in any group insurance program for state employees under this part unless such insurer permits all hospitals that participate in the TennCare program to become contracted providers and to be included in any provider network in any group insurance programs for state employees, if such hospitals agree to contract terms comparable to other hospitals in such network.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. This act shall apply to contracts entered into or amended on or after the effective date of this act.